

Letter of Appeal
Marlene H. Dortch
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Received & Inspected

APR 12 2010

FCC Mail Room

Applicant Name: Forest Grove School District
Billed Entity Number: 201298
Form 471 Application Number: 615656
Funding Request Number: 1697933
Responding to Denial dated March 3, 2010

CC: 02-6

April 6, 2010

Dear Ms Dortch,

Burris Communications Inc. of Ada, Oklahoma spin # 143020614, provided network maintenance to the Forest Grove School District in Oklahoma funding year 2008. The application was approved, the work was performed and the school has paid their share. When Burris billed ERATE for the balance, the maintenance was denied based on a cost per drop item. The network maintenance included all cat5e wiring, all patch panels, fiber connections between the main building which houses the library, 4 class rooms and the administration offices, the middle school which has 3 class rooms and the gym, and the elementary which has 2 classrooms. In addition, the network maintenance infrastructure includes 3 Cisco switches, 2-2950-24 with fiber modules and 1 2950-48 with fiber modules. Also there are 4 D-Link AP 2200 wireless access points that serve the wireless computer lab Forest Grove School has. Included in the work order copies that are enclosed are references to work done on the wireless access points, the switches and the wiring.

If you would please review the maintenance records included you will see that the work was done on all the cabling and the network infrastructure which includes the switches, the wireless access points and the fiber connecting the 3 buildings all located adjacent to each other. Burris Communications respectfully asks you to reverse the decision made by USAC and approve the work that has already been completed.

Thanks in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Danny Williams

Burris Communications, phone 580-332-0033

attachments

BIDS FOR BASIC MAINTENANCE WITHOUT SUPPORTING DETAIL WILL BE REJECTED. ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NECESSARY.

SCHOOL/LIBRARY NAME: Forest Grove School SERVICE PROVIDER NAME: Burris Communications SPIN: 143020615
 PREPARED BY: Danny Williams TITLE: Erate Admin DATE: 1/31/2008

Description of Items to be Maintained							Bid Amount: Basic Maintenance				
Location (ES, JHS, MS, HS, District)	Function	Make/MFR	MFR Model #	MFR Part #	Product Name (Description)	Qty	Annual Cost Ea.	Annual Extended Cost	% Eligible	Eligible Amount	Monthly Eligible Amount
District	firewall maintenance	cisco	506e		firewall	1	800.00	800.00	100%	800.00	66.67
District	router maintenance	cisco	2811		router	1	600.00	600.00	100%	600.00	50.00
District	server maintenance	dell	2900		server	2	800.00	1,600.00	100%	1,600.00	133.34
District	network maintenance	Maintenance of cabling all infrastructure			network maintenance	1	10,000.00	10,000.00	100%	10,000.00	833.34
District	network maintenance	travel			travel	12	125.00	1,500.00	100%	1,500.00	125.00
District	phone system maintenance	Norstar	CICS		phone system maint	1	2,500.00	2,500.00	100%	2,500.00	208.34
	Total	maintenance						17,000.00	100%	17,000.00	

Burris Communications, Inc.

INVOICE

PO Box 216
Ada, OK 74821



PAID

515.09

BURRIS INVOICE #: 2518

INVOICE DATE: 5/4/2009

SPIN #:

BILLED ENTITY #:

FRN #: 1697933

CUSTOMER

Forest Grove School District
PO Box 60
Garvin, OK 74736-0060

Qty	Item	Model & Description	Unit Price	Total
1	SCHL/LBRY CONTRACT	School/Library Contract Funds (10%) - Maintenance Total - 17,000.00 USAC - 15,300.00 Service Period - 07/01/08 - 06/30/09	1,700.00	1,700.00
Total School Portion				\$1,700.00
Payments/Credits				\$0.00

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOREST GROVE PUBLIC SCHOOL
P.O. BOX 60
GARVIN, OK 74736

TO THE TREASURER
GEN FUND-FOR OP

THIS WARRANT
REGISTERED ON
THIS DATE AND
FUNDS ARE
AVAILABLE TO PAY SAME WITH
INTEREST AT _____ % FROM REGISTRATION
TO LEGAL MATURITY

Series 2008-2009

WARRANT

PAYABLE THROUGH
McCURTAIN COUNTY NATIONAL BANK
IDABEL, OK

DATE	NUMBER	AMOUNT
05/13/09	512	\$1,700.00

PAY

*****\$1,700 Dollars and 00 Cents

TO
THE
ORDER
OF

BURRIS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
P.O. BOX 216

ADA

OK 74821

PRESIDENT

CLERK

TREASURER

⑆103102737⑆

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~~For Deposit Only~~

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RESERVED FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTION USE

Date: 05/11/29

NO: 51

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TO: BOHR'S COMPANY, INC.

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31
Attached below are the Invoice Numbers and Amounts paid on this check.
\$1,700.00
2018

Burris Communications, Inc.

Customer Service Order

2275

Customer Number		
Call # / MAC #		
Contract Status		
Project Number		
Mac	Maintenance	New Install

Customer Name <i>Forst group</i>	Product/Type	Customer Contact/Title	Originator
Address (Premises)	Purchase Order Number	Date of Order	Time
City State Zip Code	Telephone Number	Trouble Reported	Trouble Found

Scope of Work

For prepriced orders (applicable taxes extra)

Equipment \$	Installation \$	Total \$
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Material Requested Part Number	Description	Issue Quantity	Return Quantity	O/D	Same Return
<i>fax sharing device</i>		<i>1</i>			
<i>reset phone system</i>		<i>1</i>			
<i>update phone system</i>		<i>1</i>			
<i>data network</i>		<i>1</i>			
Requisition Number:	Purchaser Order Number:	Stock Location:	RMA Number:		

Start Time	Arrive Time	Stop Time	Reg	OT	DT	Employee ID #	Date Worked

Work Performed
<i>Add Fax share device programed phone</i>

# of Stations Equipped:	Added	Deleted
# of Stations Used:		

Subtotal:	Tax:	Total

Work / Material / Hours Accepted By
[Signature]
 Customer Signature Date

Work Performed By
[Signature]
 Burris Communications' Technician Date

Burris Communications, Inc.

Customer Service Order

2280

Erate Year 11

Customer Number	Forest Grove: 1111
Call #/MAC #	333
Contract Status	Erate Mainte
Project Number	
Mac	Maintenance New Install

Customer Name	Forest Grove Schools	Product/Type	Wireless	Customer Contact/Title	John Smith	Originator	
Address (Premises)		Purchase Order Number		Date of Order		Time	
City	State	Zip Code		Telephone Number		Trouble Reported	Trouble Found

Scope of Work	Replace + Configure 3 SPS for 1 AP Original Mass Server for connectivity redo cables in equip closet
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For prepriced orders (applicable taxes extra)

Equipment \$	Installation \$	Total \$
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Material Requested Part Number	Description	Issue Quantity	Return Quantity	G/D	Same Return
2013469B3C4C	D-link 2200 AP				
2013469B3C4B	D-link 2200 AP				
2013469B3C4E	D-link 2200 AP				

Requisition Number	Purchaser Order Number	Stock Location	RMA Number
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10/2/2018	7:00am	10:00am	2:00pm				Jeff C	
10/2/2018	7:00am	10:00am	3:00pm				Dariusz	

Work Performed	Installation of 3 SPS for 1 AP
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# of Stations Equipped:	Added	Deleted
# of Stations Used:		

Subtotal:	Tax:	Total

Work/ Material / Hours Accepted By

Work Performed By

Customer Signature

Date

Burris Communications Technician

Date

<CUSTOMER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT BURRIS COMMUNICATIONS' STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS ON THE REVERSE SIDE SHALL APPLY>
SEND PAYMENTS TO: P.O. BOX 216 ADA, OK 74821 (580-332-3099)

JOB NAME

SERVICE ORDER

[illegible]

BURRIS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

"Your Telecommunications Specialists"

116 W. MAIN

ADA, OK 74820

(580) 332-3099 Fax (580) 272-0180

DATE _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS

CITY

PHONE

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SERIAL NO.

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DATE OF ORIGINAL INSTALLATION

ESTIMATE

WARRANTY

☐ **CONTRACT**

NATURE OF SERVICE	CLASS OF SERVICE	CLASS OF SERVICE	CLASS OF SERVICE	CLASS OF SERVICE	CLASS OF SERVICE	CLASS OF SERVICE	CLASS OF SERVICE	CLASS OF SERVICE
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Event 10-22-08
Internet not using
ck network -
test switches & router
Internet feed down

TOTAL MATERIALS

TECHNICAL SERVICE TIME: ☐ SHOP ☐ HOME

☐ PICK UP OR DELIVER☐ SERVICE CALL CHARGE

TECHNICIAN

TIME IN	TIME OUT
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DATE COMPLETED

TAX

[illegible]

SIGNATURE

Guaranty on other side

INVOICE

THANK YOU

Signature above constitutes acceptance of above work as being satisfactory and that equipment has been left in good condition.

JOB NAME

SERVICE ORDER

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PHONE

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SERIAL NO.

DATE PROMISED	
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☐ ESTIMATE

WARRANTY

☐ CONTRACT

NATURE OF SERVICE

Evald 11-13-08

ck Connectivity to Elementary
cked switch + connections
in elementary - ck servers
+ router

12.000 TOTAL MATERIALS

TECHNICAL SERVICE TIME: ☐ SHOP ☐ HOME

☐ PICK UP OR DELIVER☐ SERVICE CALL CHARGE

TECHNICIAN

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(580) 332-3099 Fax (580) 272-0180

DATE _____

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY

PHONE

DATE OF ORIGINAL INSTALLATION

MAKE

MODEL	DESCRIPTION	STATUS
1	Model 1: Basic model	Completed
2	Model 2: Advanced model	In Progress
3	Model 3: Experimental model	Not Started

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ESTIMATE

WARRANTY

CONTRACT

NATURE OF SERVICE:

Grate

12-10-08

CK DHCP + DNS servers
Service network + connections
CK switches

Danny

TOTAL MATERIALS

TECHNICAL SERVICE TIME: ☐ SHOP ☐ HOME☐ PICK UP OR DELIVER☐ SERVICE CALL CHARGE

TECHNICIAN

TIME IN	TIME OUT
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DATE COMPLETED

TAX

CASH ON COMPLETION
OF WORK _____

TOTAL

SIGNATURE

Guaranty on other side

INVOICE

THANK YOU

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Customer Service Order

File Maint. Year 11

Customer Number
Call # / MAC #
Contract Status
Project Number
Mac Maintenance New Install

Customer Name <i>Forest Grove School</i>	Customer Contact/Title	Originator
Address (Premises) <i>PO Box 60</i>	Purchase Order Number	Date of Order
City <i>Forest Grove</i>	Telephone Number	Time
State <i>OK</i>		Trouble Reported
Zip Code <i>74734</i>		Trouble Found

Scope of Work

*fix wireless access point
phone system changes
data network repair*

For prepriced orders (applicable taxes extra)

Equipment \$	Installation \$	Total \$
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Material Requested Part Number	Description	Issue Quantity	Return Quantity	G/D	Same Return

Requisition Number:	Purchaser Order Number:	Stock Location:	RMA Number:
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	Start Time	Arrive Time	Stop Time	Reg	OT	DT	Employee ID #	Date Worked
<i>Loney</i>	<i>10:49A</i>	<i>10:42A</i>	<i>12:18P</i>					

Work Performed

# of Stations Equipped:	Added	Deleted
# of Stations Used:		

Subtotal:	Tax:	Total

Work / Material / Hours Accepted By
[Signature] 1-15-09
 Customer Signature Date

Work Performed By
[Signature] 1-15-09
 WilNet Communications' Technician Date

SERVICE ORDER

BURRIS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
"Your Telecommunications Specialists"
 116 W. MAIN
 ADA, OK 74820
(580) 332-3099 Fax (580) 272-0180

DATE _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS

CITY

PHONE

DATE OF ORIGINAL INSTALLATION

MAKE

MODEL

SERIAL NO

DATE PROMISED _____

☐ ESTIMATE
☐ WARRANTY
☐ CONTRACT

NATURE OF SERVICE

Evalue 2-10-09

CK Network access points
connectivity in Library +
adjacent classes - CK server
+ battery back up

TOTAL MATERIALS

TECHNICAL SERVICE TIME: ☐ SHOP ☐ HOME

☐ PICK UP OR DELIVER ☐ SERVICE CALL CHARGE

TECHNICIAN

TIME IN	TIME OUT
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DATE COMPLETED _____

TAX

CASH	ON COMPLETION OF WORK —	TOTAL
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SIGNATURE

Guaranty on other side

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Burris Communications, Inc.

Customer Service Order

2279

Customer Number		
Call # / MAC #		
Contract Status		
Project Number		
Mac	Maintenance	New Install

Maint. work

Customer Name <i>Forrest Grove</i>		Product/Type	Customer Contact/Title		Originator	
Address (Premises) <i>Schools</i>		Purchase Order Number		Date of Order	Time	
City	State	Zip Code	Telephone Number	Trouble Reported	Trouble Found	

Scope of Work	
<i>File Maint</i>	
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For prepriced orders (applicable taxes extra)

Equipment \$	Installation \$	Total \$
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Material Requested Part Number	Description	Issue Quantity	Return Quantity	G/D	Same Return
Requisition Number:		Purchaser Order Number:		Stock Location:	
				RMA Number:	

Start Time	Arrive Time	Stop Time	Reg	OT	DT	Employee ID #	Date Worked
<i>8:00</i>		<i>5:00</i>				<i>L.W</i>	<i>3-03-09</i>

Work Performed	
<i>Program check & V mail on Telephone</i>	
<i>System Repair I.W. for ext. in computer</i>	
<i>Lab</i>	
<i>ck data network</i>	

# of Stations Equipped.	Added	Deleted	Subtotal:	Tax:	Total
# of Stations Used					

Work/ Material / Hours Accepted By

Work Performed By

Customer Signature

Date

Burris Communications' Technician

Date

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SEND PAYMENTS TO: P.O. BOX 216 ADA, OK 74821 (580-332-3099)

Customer Service Order

Customer Number		
Call # / MAC #		
Contract Status		
Project Number		
Mac	Maintenance	New (Instal)

Customer Name Forest grove	Product/Type	Customer Contact/Title	Originator	
Address (Premises) P.O. Box 60	Purchase Order Number		Date of Order	Time
City Garvin	State OK	Zip Code 74236	Telephone Number	Trouble Reported
			Trouble Found	

Scope of Work	
move fax from primary line to secondary line	

For prepriced orders (applicable taxes extra)

Equipment \$	Installation \$	Total \$			
Grate					
Material Requested Part Number	Description	Issue Quantity	Return Quantity	G/D	Same Return
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reset phone system - ok data network					
Requisition Number:	Purchaser Order Number:	Stock Location:	RMA Number:		

	Start Time	Arrive Time	Stop Time	Reg	OT	DT	Employee ID #	Date Worked
Larry L	11:30	11:30	12:32					

Work Performed
move fax

# of Stations Equipped:	Added	Deleted
# of Stations Used:		

Subtotal	Tax:	Total

Work / Material / Hours Accepted By

Customer Signature

Date

Work Performed By

WilNet Communications' Technician

Date

Burris Communications, Inc.

Customer Service Order

2276

File Error

Customer Number		
Call # / MAC #		
Contract Status		
Project Number		
Mac	Maintenance	New Install

Customer Name FOREST GROVE SCHOOL	Product/Type	Customer Contact/Title	Originator	
Address (Premises)	Purchase Order Number		Date of Order	Time
City	State	Zip Code	Telephone Number	Trouble Reported
				Trouble Found

Scope of Work

For prepriced orders (applicable taxes extra)

Equipment \$	Installation \$	Total \$
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Material Requested Part Number	Description	Issue Quantity	Return Quantity	G/D	Same Return
Requisition Number:	Purchaser Order Number:	Stock Location:	RMA Number:		

Start Time	Arrive Time	Stop Time	Reg	OT	DT	Employee ID #	Date Worked
	10:15A	12:35 pm	*				4-30-09

Work Performed
SERVER (MAS) BACKUP SCHEDULE CREATED
EMAIL SEND ERROR FIXED
MOVED SWITCH TO RACK AND CONNECTED 12 PORTS
MADE 3 CAT5 PATCH CABLES

# of Stations Equipped:	Added	Deleted
# of Stations Used:		

Subtotal	Tax:	Total

Work / Material / Hours Accepted By
[Signature]
 Customer Signature _____ Date _____

Work Performed By
[Signature]
 Burris Communications Technician _____ Date 4-30-09

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Burris Communications, Inc.

Customer Service Order

2367

Customer Number
Call # / MAC #
Contract Status
Project Number
Mac Maintenance New Install

Customer Name <i>Forest Grove</i>	Product/Type	Customer Contact/Title	Originator
Address (Premises)		Purchase Order Number	Date of Order Time
City State Zip Code		Telephone Number	Trouble Reported Trouble Found

Scope of Work

For prepriced orders (applicable taxes extra)

Equipment \$	Installation \$	Total \$
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Material Requested Part Number	Description	Issue Quantity	Return Quantity	G/D	Same Return
	<i>ck network & cabling</i>				
	<i>ck connection to elementary</i>				
	<i>ck server & firewall</i>				
Requisition Number:	Purchase Order Number:	Stock Location:	RMA Number:		

	Start Time	Arrive Time	Stop Time	Reg	OT	DT	Employee ID #	Date Worked

Work Performed

# of Stations Equipped:	Added	Deleted
# of Stations Used:		

Subtotal:	Tax:	Total

Work/ Material / Hours Accepted By

Work Performed By

Customer Signature

Date

Burris Communications' Technician

Date

143020615|2008|07/01/2008|06/30/2009|615656|FOREST GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT|RT 1,
 PO BOX 60|GARVIN|OK|74736|Jane Kellogg or Debi
 Sovereign|EMAIL| || ||580|3322532| ||580|3321444| |erate@kelloggllc.com|1697933|64833
 0000627070|Not Funded|4405-MTC NETWRK|Basic Maintenance of Internal
 Connection|N/A|85136|40 11850 00552|07/01/2008|06/30/2009|17000.04|90%|0.00|Cost
 Effectiveness|Not
 Needed|12/03/2009|074|201298|N/A|12/14/2007|01/30/2008|1416.67|0.00|1416.67|12|1
 7000.04|0.00|0.00|0.00|DR1: This funding request is denied as a result of a Cost
 Effectiveness Review, which has determined that this funding request has not
 been justified as cost effective as required by FCC
 rules.|12/03/2009| ||09/30/2010
 SLD 471 Funding to Service Provider ; Total Records: 1

Burris Communications, Inc.

116 W Main • Ada, OK 74820 • Phone 580-332-3099 • Fax 580-332-0323

January 22, 2010

Letter of Appeal
Schools and Libraries Division-Correspondence Unit
30 Lanidex Plaza West
PO Box 685
Parsippany, NJ 07054-0685

Subject: Letter of Appeal of Forest Grove School **FRN 1697933**, Billed Entity Number 201298.

Burris Communications
116 W Main
Ada, OK 74820

E-mail: danj@wilnet1.com
471 Number: 615656
Funding Year: July 1, 2008- June 30, 2009
Billed Entity Number: 201298
SPIN: 143020615
FRN: 1697933

Contact: Danny Williams
Phone number: 580-332-3099

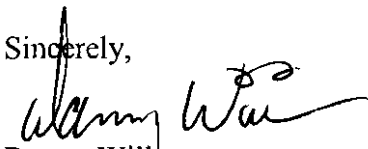
To Whom It May Concern:

Burris Communications, SPIN 143020615 is appealing the disallowed maintenance on **FRN 1697933** for Forest Grove School in Oklahoma, Bill Entity Number 201298 for year July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

Burris Communications has provided maintenance on all networks, network devices and equipment, phone system and cabling for two years. In funding year July 1, 2008 thru June 30, 2009, Burris technicians and staff made twelve round trips of three hours one way to the school to support their equipment. During those trips Burris technicians updated server software, fixed DNS and DHCP functions, rebooted servers, managed firewall functions, updated phone system applications, rebooted phone system, corrected errors and fixed cabling malfunctions. Enclosed are work Customer Service documents that support our work.

Forest Grove School has paid their share of the costs and now we respectfully ask you to reverse your previous decision. Burris Communications has met all the terms of their commitment to the school and now Burris asks USAC to please approve and pay the balance due. Burris has experienced significant costs during this period and believes it is only fair to be compensated for the work done between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Danny Williams,
President-Burris Communications
Please see enclosures



Universal Service Administrative Company
Schools & Libraries Division

Administrator's Decision on Appeal – Funding Year 2008-2009

March 03, 2010

Danny Williams
Burris Communications
116 W. Main
Ada, OK 74820

Re: Applicant Name: FOREST GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Billed Entity Number: 201298
Form 471 Application Number: 615656
Funding Request Number(s): 1697933
Your Correspondence Dated: January 22, 2010

After thorough review and investigation of all relevant facts, the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has made its decision in regard to your appeal of USAC's Funding Year 2008 Funding Commitment Decision Letter for the Application Number indicated above. This letter explains the basis of USAC's decision. The date of this letter begins the 60 day time period for appealing this decision to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). If your Letter of Appeal included more than one Application Number, please note that you will receive a separate letter for each application.

Funding Request Number(s): 1697933
Decision on Appeal: **Denied**
Explanation:

- During Initial Review, the applicant was asked to provide detail justifying the cost effectiveness of the requested services. Based on the documentation submitted during Initial Review, USAC has determined that the cost of maintenance per drop (\$250.00), number of hours (6.23 hours) each month to maintain forty (40) cabling drops and that the cabling maintenance for \$10,000.00 makes up the majority of the request and is not cost effective. Your response to USAC during the appeal did not justify the cost of the above listed maintenance. Consequently, it has been determined that the applicant's funding request for Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections services has not been justified as being cost effective as required by the Schools and Libraries Support Mechanism's rules and procedures.

- USAC denied your funding request because it was determined that the costs of the products and services in your funding request were significantly higher than the costs generally available in your marketplace for the same or similar products or services. There is no evidence that the reason for excessive costs were due to extenuating circumstances. You have not demonstrated on appeal that USAC's determination was incorrect. Consequently, USAC denies your appeal.
- FCC rules state that, in selecting a service provider, the applicant must carefully consider all bids submitted and must select the most cost-effective service or equipment offering, with price being the primary factor, which will result in being the most cost-effective means of meeting educational needs and the technology plan goals. *See* 47 C.F.R. secs. 54.511(a), 54.504(b)(2)(vii), 54.504(c)(1)(xi). *See* also Request for Review of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Ysleta Independent School District, et al., CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-21, Order, 18 FCC Rcd 26407, FCC 03-313, paras. 47-55 (Dec. 8, 2003) (Ysleta Order). Service providers shall not charge the entities a price above the lowest corresponding price. *See* 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.511(b). In order to ensure that the applicants are not requesting discounts for services beyond their reasonable needs, USAC denies funding request(s) for not being cost-effective the costs of the products and services in a funding request are significantly higher than the costs generally available in the applicant's marketplace for the same or similar products or services. For example, equipment at prices two or three times greater than the prices available from commercial vendors would not be cost effective, unless there were extenuating circumstances. *See* Ysleta Order para. 54.

If your appeal has been approved, but funding has been reduced or denied, you may appeal these decisions to either USAC or the FCC. For appeals that have been denied in full, partially approved, dismissed, or canceled, you may file an appeal with the FCC. You should refer to CC Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of your appeal to the FCC. Your appeal must be received or postmarked within 60 days of the date on this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. If you are submitting your appeal via United States Postal Service, send to: FCC, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554. Further information and options for filing an appeal directly with the FCC can be found in the "Appeals Procedure" posted in the Reference Area of the SLD section of the USAC website or by contacting the Client Service Bureau. We strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options.

We thank you for your continued support, patience and cooperation during the appeal process.

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